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▶ Burnaby Q. Orbax pulls a four-tonne pickup yesterday at the PNE.

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Man digs deep to beat truck-pull record

Burnaby Q. Orbax, one of Fright Night's Monsters of Schlock, broke a world record yesterday by towing a truck 111.7 metres with two meat hooks in his back. For more coverage, turn to page 7 or check out a photo gallery of the attempt at metronews.ca/vancouver.

BC Place workers net deal

- **No pickets predicted for Grey Cup**
- **Union recommending ratification**

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The 99th annual Grey Cup should be able to "raise the roof" at BC Place next month if workers accept the terms of a tentative agreement announced yesterday.

Bargaining between the B.C. Pavilion Corporation and B.C. Government and Service Employees Union went late into the night Monday.

"With this tentative agreement reached, we're now able to finalize plans to host the B.C. Lions game this weekend," said Howard Crosley, BC Place general manager.

The union represents 600 workers at BC Place who have been without a contract since May and issued a 72-hour strike notice last Wednesday. Union representatives are recommending that members accept the agreement and are scheduling a ratification vote this weekend.

"Our members were seeking a fair collective agreement and they got it," said union president Darryl Walker.

Details of the contract have not been released but union members were concerned with job cuts and decreased hours for skilled trade workers.

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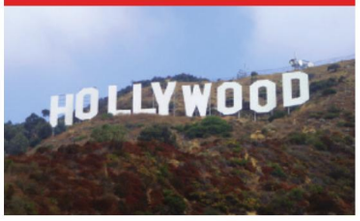

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Murder charges laid against babysitter

A 28-year-old babysitter in Cranbrook has been charged with second-degree murder in the drowning death of a 19-month-old.

Iyanna (Iya) Teeple had been left in the care of Tammy Marion Bouvette on the morning of May 26. A few hours later a 911 call notified responders of a child in medical distress and not breathing.

When the ambulance arrived the toddler was found facedown in a bathtub and was not breathing.

She was taken to the East Kootenay Regional Hospital and flown to Calgary Children's Hospital. Three days later she was taken off life support and was pronounced dead. An autopsy confirmed she had died from drowning.

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▶Iyanna Teeple

After several interviews with Bouvette, police suspected foul play and sent their investigation to Crown Counsel on June 24. An exhaustive review of the evidence was conducted and Bouvette was charged with second-degree murder yesterday.

Through organ donations, Iyanna saved the lives of five children.

CHELSEA ALTICE

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▶ Coun. Suzanne Anton and Mayor Gregor Robertson squared off in the first mayoral debate last night in Vancouver.

Protesters disrupt first mayoral debate

One man jumped on stage and repeated interruptions throughout faceoff

Robertson, Anton debated economic development, red tape, homelessness

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Occupy Vancouver protesters took the spotlight yesterday during the first mayoral debate between Mayor Gregor Robertson and Coun. Suzanne Anton.

Some shouted down the candidates when the debate, which is run by the Board of Trade, focused on the Stanley Cup riot, street homelessness and Occupy Vancouver.

"How can you call yourself a government if you can't even clothe and feed the people?" a woman interrupted while one man shouted as he was being escorted out, "Occupy Vancouver is going nowhere, whoever the mayor is."

The protesters were spread out in the packed auditorium with a few disguised as reporters.

Darrell Zimmerman, an independent mayoral candidate, was ejected from the auditorium after he stormed on stage, waving a toy lobster. When Zimmerman was inching close to where Anton was, Robertson protectively moved in front of Anton.

The move didn't go unnoticed as one of the panel members, CKNW's Marcella Bernardo, asked the two candidates what they liked about each other.

Both Robertson and Anton expressed their desire to end the Occupy encampment on the grounds of the Vancouver Art Gallery.

"In the first place, the tents should never have been allowed to be set up, Anton said.

"I do appreciate what we hear from the Occupy Vancouver.… We do need to know these messages. But camping out on that important piece of downtown Vancouver property is not fine," he said.

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Victim's report sat in drawer: Sister-in-law

The sister-in-law of one of Robert Pickton's victims says a missing-person's report she filed with Vancouver police sat in a drawer for years without officers taking any action on it.

Lori-Ann Ellis told the public inquiry into the Pickton case yesterday that she filed the report about Cara Ellis by phone from Calgary in 1998.

However, she said she never heard back from police and only learned what happened to the report in the mid-summer of 2004, when an RCMP officer told her he had found the report in a filing drawer and it had never been "actioned."

"I almost dropped the coffee pot," she said. "All this time that we'd been sitting here waiting to hear, it had sat in a damn drawer in the police station and no one had even taken the time to do it."

Ellis said it wasn't just police inaction that infuriated her. She said that in 1998 a policewoman told her, "If Cara wants to be found, she'll be found. Why don't you leave us alone and let us do our job."

She said the officer added that Cara was probably on vacation.

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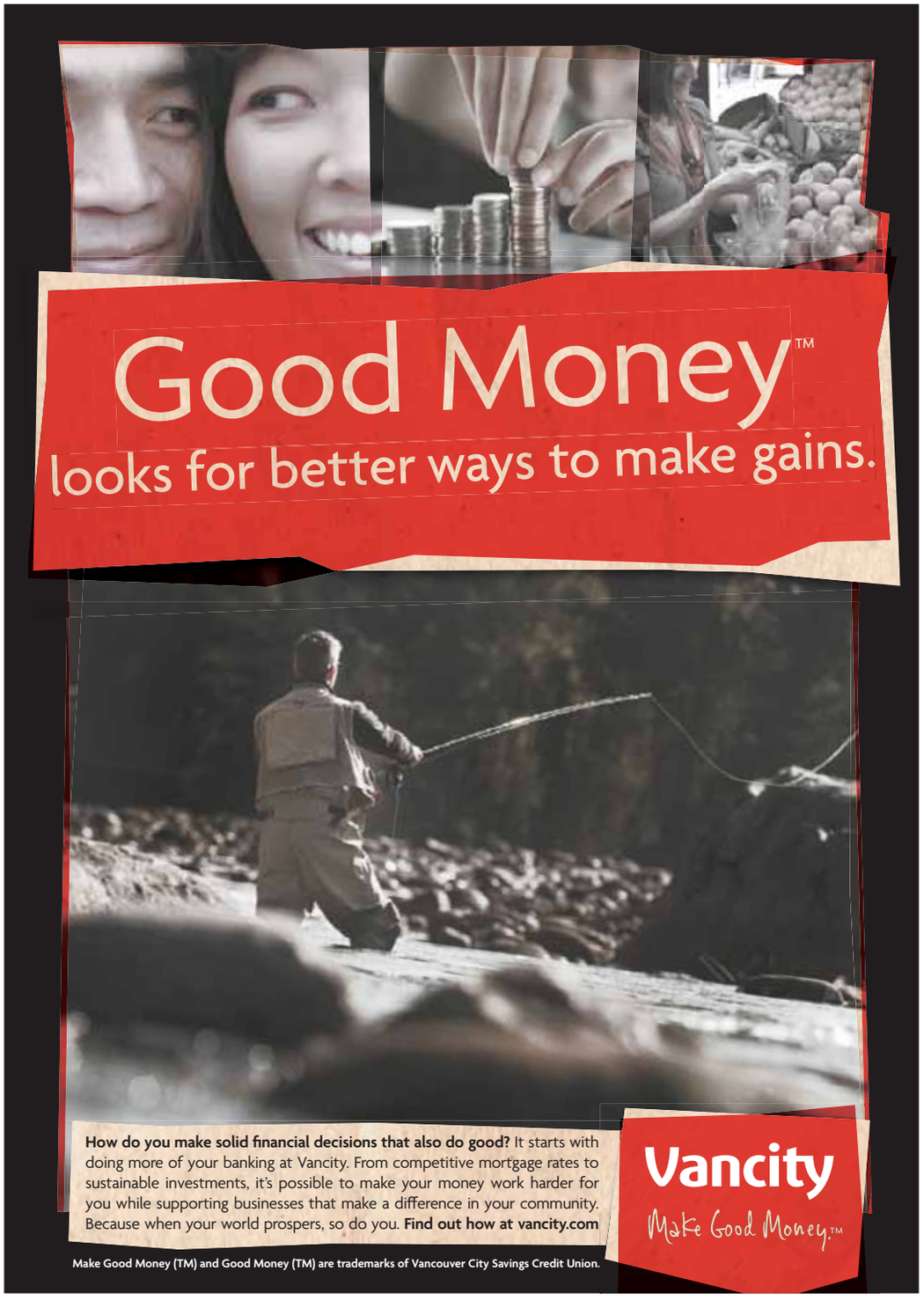
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▶ Former city manager Carlene Robbins testified yesterday at the coroner's inquest into the death of three men in a Vancouver rooming-house fire.

Flophouses difficult to shut down, inquiry hears

Illegal rooming house where three men died had long history with city inspectors

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The illegal flophouse where three men died in a fire last year is one of thousands in Vancouver, a coroner's inquest heard yesterday.

Carlene Robbins, former manager of the city's property-use-inspection branch, said rooming houses like the one at 2862 Pandora St. are extremely difficult to shut down if the landlord is "playing games."

She said the Pandora house owner would comply with bare-minimum orders — such as taking locks off individual room doors — to keep it legal during inspections, only to revert the home back into a flophouse after officials had left. "The owner kept complying virtually, so it's very difficult to enforce," she said.

But after three and a half years of haggling with the owner over bylaw violations and neighbour complaints, Robbins decided enough was enough.

On June 24, 2010, she had a team of inspectors search the home "with a critical eye" for any violations that would allow the city to order the house vacated. While the inspectors reported many infractions, none was serious enough to shut down the operation. Instead, the landlord was ordered to undertake certain renovations.

A Nov. 5 follow-up inspection found that none of the ordered changes had been made and the city initiated the "very lengthy" process of laying charges and holding a business-licence hearing.

But before any of those measures got underway, Garland McKay, Dwayne Rasmussen and Stephen Yellowquill were killed in a fire at the home on Dec. 22.

Robbins agreed with a lawyer's suggestion that there are probably thousands of similar illegal, rundown properties littered throughout the city.

Clark out for tourism dollars

A new five-year plan aims to bring in tourists from China and India and attract more skiers to B.C.

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▶ Visitors will once again be able to stand and take photos inside the historic tourist attraction.

Historic hollow tree to reopen

The 1,000-year-old tree will reopen to the public today in Stanley Park Tree had faced being cut down

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One of Vancouver's oldest tourist attractions, Stanley Park's historic hollow tree, will finally reopen today. After suffering severe damage during a windstorm in 2006, the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation threatened to cut down the 1,000-year-old western red cedar due to safety concerns.

The Stanley Park Hollow Tree Conservation Society (SPHTCS) has since inserted non-intrusive steel micro-piles into the tree to stabilize it at a cost of $200,000, funded entirely by local businesses that donated materials and services.

The park board allocated money toward landscaping and the creation of various plaques surrounding the tree.

"It is such an iconic part of the city and part of our history. Now, it will be preserved for future generations at no cost to taxpayers," said park board chair Aaron Jasper.

The park board also planted a new red cedar near to the existing hollow tree, which they hope will mature and eventually replace the older one.

Hal Kalman, a director of the SPHTCS, said he was appreciative of the donations made by locals to prevent the demolition of the tree. "It really showed how the people of Vancouver value (Stanley Park) and that we were doing the right thing by preserving the tree," he said.

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▶ Russ Foxx ties ropes to the meat hooks in Burnaby Q. Orbax's back prior to towing a four-tonne vehicle yesterday at the PNE.

Blood shed over record

Man drags truck with meat hooks pierced through back

Blood ran from two meat hooks pierced into Burnaby Q. Orbax's back and pooled at his waist as he pulled a four-tonne truck 111.7 metres yesterday to beat a Guinness World Record.

The longest previous pull was 107 metres.

Orbax followed a strongman training regimen prior to attempting the longest vehicle pull with the least number of meat hooks. But there was nothing that could prepare him for the two back piercings that dug inches into the soft tissue behind the shoulder blades.

"I'm not worried so much about the hooks coming out," said Orbax of the likely possibility that the hooks could rip his skin. "I'm more worried about the physical exhaustion — it's not easy pulling a 9,000-pound truck."

With his brother, Sweet Pepper Klopek, already a proud owner of a Guinness medal for snapping 40 mousetraps to his body in one minute, Orbax said it was his turn.

"I challenge anyone to beat that, and with the last 15 metres uphill," Orbax yelled after completing the pull. He said he would do it again if anyone tried to beat him. CHELSEA ALTICE

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Many of us put off saving because we associate it with sacrifice. But regular saving can actually be a uniquely satisfying experience. Paying ourselves first, to have money to buy things we really need or want, means we enjoy those things all the more.

In the past I've written about establishing savings goals: setting money aside for a specific item you want to buy at a specific time. Goals are great because they help us stick to a plan. So for those of us who don't have a specific purchase in mind, establishing a 'just-in-case' fund will provide the same satisfaction and end result. Your goal doesn't have to be a specific item; setting a specific dollar amount and timeframe will ensure you've got cash on hand when something unexpected pops up. And if that just happens to be a last-minute vacation versus a car repair, then even better!

4 SIMPLE STEPS

1. Analyze your spending and make saving a priority
2. Open a dedicated savings account
3. Pay yourself first: set up an automatic payday transfer of $25
4. Watch your savings grow!

And good news! Whether your goal is a specific item, a dollar amount, or just the peace of mind of knowing there's money in the bank when you need it, saving really can be easy.

A little bit really does go a long way

If you don't think you're in a position to save, consider how putting away even the smallest amount on a regular basis can add up quickly. Again, pay yourself first! For example, saving just $25 a week adds up to $1,300 a year. That's a nice chunk of change to have on hand should you suddenly decide you need a holiday or find the latest gadget calling your name!

Getting Started

Remember that saving is not about sacrifice. It's about prioritizing. Start by taking a look at your previous bank statements to see where you're spending your money. Ask yourself where you could easily trim and decide on an amount to reallocate for saving. Maybe you're prone to impulse purchases, or maybe you're regularly spending money on something you wouldn't particularly miss. Making a few changes to my discretionary spending habits has really helped grow my just-in-case fund and I've actually come to enjoy saving.

Make it easy for yourself

Here's the first secret to paying yourself first: open a dedicated savings account, then schedule automatic payments. Many people find setting up a payday transfer easiest because they don't notice the money leaving their account. This way, saving becomes a habit and you don't think about it. And every payday, your balance grows and grows.

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Bill targets gun-registry records

RCMP has found registration a useful tool for police • Liberal MP accuses Tories of ignoring common sense

Records of the shotguns and rifles owned by Canadians would be destroyed under legislation introduced yesterday to scrap the long-gun registry — preventing provincial or future federal governments from making use of the information.

The majority Conservative government unfurled a long-promised bill yesterday to scrap the registration of long guns and permanently delete more than seven million files on gun ownership.

Police, health and victims' groups immediately voiced their opposition, while anglers and hunters welcomed plans for the registry's demise.

The Tories argue the registration of long guns is wasteful and unnecessary, although they support the licensing of gun owners and the registration of prohibited and restricted weapons like handguns.

"No law can prevent all tragedies. But a gun-control law, which includes registration and is rigorously implemented, makes it harder — not easier — for dangerous people to get firearms."
ACTIVIST PRISCILLA DE VILLIERS, WHOSE DAUGHTER, NINA, WAS ABDUCTED AND KILLED WITH A LEGALLY OWNED RIFLE

"We don't want laws that target law-abiding citizens, hunters and sports shooters. We want laws that focus on the criminal and those who use firearms illegally," said Public Safety Minister Vic Toews, who joined Conservative colleagues in announcing the bill at a farm near Ottawa.

Toews has said that the more than $1 billion spent on the registry would have been better spent putting police officers on the street.

There are hints that some provinces — namely Quebec and Ontario — might begin registering long guns if the federal legislation succeeds. But they would have to start from scratch.
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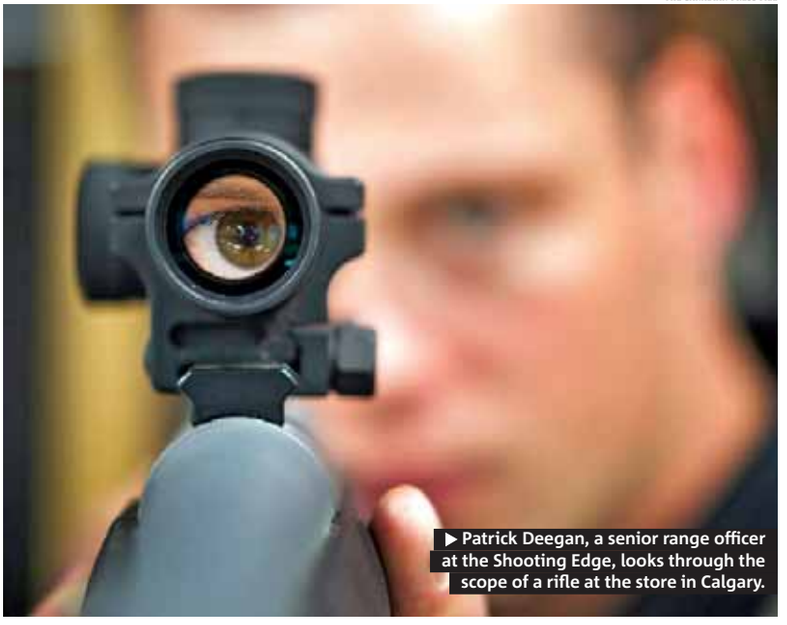

▶ Patrick Deegan, a senior range officer at the Shooting Edge, looks through the scope of a rifle at the store in Calgary.

Video of bodies shown in honour-killings trial

Jurors at a so-called honour-killings trial in Kingston were shown underwater video yesterday of the bodies of three teenage sisters and a relative submerged in a car in an eastern Ontario canal.

A police camera captured the footage of the bodies of the Montreal residents in a Nissan Sentra in the Kingston Mills locks two years ago.

The Crown has alleged Zainab, 19, Sahar, 17, and Geeti Shafia, 13, were killed along with their father's first wife, Rona Amir Mohammad, 52, in a crash staged to look like an accident.

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▶ Mohammad Shafia walks in front of his son, Hamed, as they are escorted to the courtroom at the Frontenac County Courthouse on Oct. 20.

The teens' parents — Mohammad Shafia, 58, and Tooba Mohammad Yahya, 41, and their brother, Hamed, 20, are each charged with four counts of first-degree murder in the deaths. Const. Glenn Newell also said it appeared the victims hadn't tried to get out of the vehicle. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadian WWI soldier laid to rest

The remains of a Canadian soldier who died near the end of the First World War were buried yesterday in France.

The remains of Private Alexander Johnston, of Hamilton, were discovered in France in 2008, but were only identified in March thanks to DNA testing.

The Defence Department says Johnston — a member of the 78th Battalion (Winnipeg Grenadiers) — was killed during battle in Raillencourt Saint-Olle.

He died on Sept. 29, 1918 — less than two months before the armistice.

Johnston's relatives attended the burial with full military honours.
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News in brief

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Schools ban spooky costumes

CALGARY. Leave your blood, guts and fangs at home kids.

At least that's the message at two Calgary public schools where staff are banning spooky Halloween costumes in favour of "caring" alternatives.

"I think it's sad that one more holiday in the traditional calendar has been stripped of what it used to mean," said Mike de Boer, parent council chair at Colonel Walker school which is introducing the new rules in time for this year's festivities.

"Everything is just getting so inoculated against possibly offending or hurting somebody that nothing really means anything anymore."

Ramsay school has also introduced the costume policy.

"It's pretty weak," agreed fellow father Mike Bishop, whose son wanted to come to school as a zombie. METRO

App to help occupy activists

NEW YORK. Occupy Wall Street protesters now have a free app to alert others if they're about to be arrested.

The Daily News says the creator of the "I'm Getting Arrested" app is Jason Van Anden, a Brooklyn software developer. It's available at Android Market.
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Mechanic wins $50M jackpot

TORONTO. It'll make the retirement a lot easier.

A 73-year-old mechanic, Franco Varone, from Woodbridge, Ont., who retired just a month ago is the winner of the $50-million jackpot from the Oct. 7 Lotto Max draw.
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Protesters march after police raid

Hundreds of protesters in Oakland, Calif. are marching toward city hall several hours after dozens were arrested for not breaking an encampment as part of the Occupy Wall Street protest.

The protesters took to the streets yesterday evening after gathering at a downtown public library. Police officers in riot gear met them en route and several small skirmishes broke out.

The march comes after police earlier swarmed into an encampment firing tear gas and rounds of bean bags before removing about 170 demonstrators who had been staying overnight on a plaza outside city hall for more than two weeks.
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City officials say 85 people were arrested, mostly on suspicion of misdemeanour unlawful assembly and illegal camping.

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Risky reefers

They can make your 'orchestra' sound out of tune, say researchers

Have you ever thought that your brain works like a philharmonic orchestra?

Well, it does.

And smoking spliffs makes it schizophrenic.

A study published yesterday in the Journal of Neuroscience says smoking marijuana numbs the brain, "leading to neurophysiological and behavioural impairments reminiscent of those seen in schizophrenia."

In musical terms, it's as if the "strings" (the hippocampus) and the "woodwinds" (the prefrontal cortex) were out of sync.

The Bristol University findings show the drug disrupts co-ordinated waves across these two brain sections.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Should marijuana be legalized?

PRO:
Walter McKay
Canadian ex-police officer and expert on policing in Canada, the U.S., Britain and Mexico.

What would be the positive effects of legalizing cannabis?
Today many people smoke cannabis and harm nobody.... Today it's easier for a 15-year-old to get marijuana than it is to get beer, because the government has banned it and is therefore not able to regulate it.

How would legalization impact producer countries?
Governments in Mexico and other countries spend billions fighting drug cartels. Legalization would bring ... billions of dollars in taxes.

CON:
Jörgen Sviden
Director, European Cities Against Drugs, dedicated to promoting a drug-free Europe.

Marijuana is considered less harmful than alcohol? Why shouldn't it be legalized?
People always say the government shouldn't get involved. But the government has a responsibility for people's well-being, so it has to limit their addiction to drugs.

Legalization will decrease crime, right?
Definitely not. The drug cartels in Mexico won't quit or start paying taxes.... They'll focus more on weapons trade or other areas.

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Canadian retail sales up in August

Canadian shoppers spent more money in August than economists anticipated even as consumer confidence plunged to its lowest level in two years.

Statistics Canada reported yesterday that retail sales in Canada rose 0.5 per cent to $37.8 billion in August, suggesting that Canadian consumers have pretty much shrugged off a period of severe turbulence on financial markets.

The boost — which amounts to about 1.4 per cent over last August — bodes well for overall economic growth during the third-quarter. Household spending accounts for about 60 per cent of demand in Canada.

Gains were reported in six of 11 subsectors representing 70 per cent of retail sales, largely offsetting a July decline of 0.5 per cent.

The Conference Board of Canada said its index of consumer confidence fell 6.6 points in August to 74.7, the lowest since July 2009.

Economists watch consumer confidence closely because consumer spending accounts for a big portion of economic activity.

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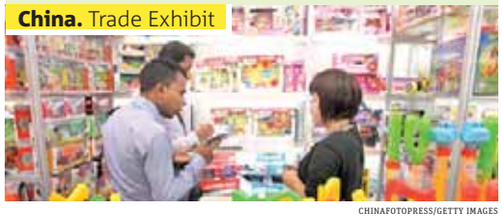
China. Trade Exhibit



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No toying around at China's Canton Fair

Visitors peruse a plastic toy booth during the 110th China Import and Export Fair (also known as Canton Fair) in Guangzhou, China, yesterday.

Coke pledging millions to protect polar bears

Coca-Cola is changing its iconic can — and pledging millions of dollars — to help scientists plan how other icons such as polar bears can survive in Canada's melting Arctic.

Coca-Cola and the World Wildlife Fund have announced a project called Arctic Home, to which the global corporate giant has committed $2 million over five years, with another million promised to match donations from the public.

The money is to fund research programs in the High Arctic related to habitat and wildlife survival, particularly with regard to polar bears.

An indication of how seriously the company takes the campaign is that Coke cans in Canada and the United States will change starting Nov. 1 until Jan. 15 from the well-known red to white.

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It's confirmed.

The world is a dirty, messy, germ-infested place.

A survey released yesterday by the Kleenex people (who else?) measures the extent of the contamination.

It's everywhere: 71 per cent of gas pump handles, 43 per cent of escalator rails, 41 per cent of ATM buttons and 40 per cent of parking meters and kiosks are contaminated with disease-causing germs.

Put that together with an earlier survey that as many as one-third of the male population fails to wash its collective hands after going to the bathroom, and you may never touch another doorknob again.

Of course, there are always people who claim a little dirt won't hurt you, but in this era of work 24-7 (and like it), who can afford the downtime that comes with colds and the flu?

"There are, on average, 229,000 germs per square inch on faucet handles that see frequent use. The world is a petri dish and you're the lab rat."

You could get a flu shot, but there is no cure for the common cold, which appears to be even more common than we thought.

You could become germ-o-phobic and wear rubber gloves and a surgical mask and use anti-bacterial wipes, but you're fighting a losing battle. There are, on average, 229,000 germs per square inch on faucet handles that see frequent use. The world is a Petri dish and you're the lab rat.

And please cough into the crux of your elbow.

Surveys like the one from Kleenex are big news at the Handwashing for Life Institute in Libertyville, Ill. I am not making this up. Its motto is "Overcoming underwashing" and it is deadly serious about fighting germs.

But the net effect of all the helpful advice on handwashingforlife.com is that it's way too hard, especially if you have a short attention span, and pointless if you have to go now and you've got no time to worry about the relative cleanness of the washroom.

You could spend every minute of your brief existence fighting off germs and you could still get run over by a bus. You have a one-in-246 chance of dying by falling down. There's even a one-in-200,000 risk of being crushed by an asteroid.

It's important to realize that germs reach their peak every weekend, at least as far as calling in sick is concerned.

Of course there's a survey on that, too. A British survey (have these people nothing else to do?), to be precise, indicating that more than one-third of sick calls happen on Monday.

So, even though there are just as many germs per square inch on every other day of the week, Monday is particularly hazardous to your health.

You didn't need a survey to tell you that, did you?

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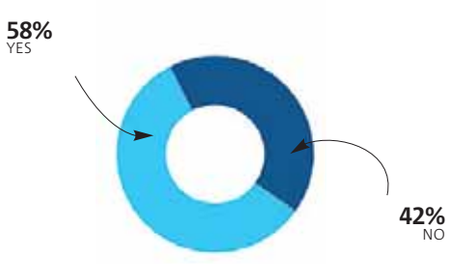

Local tweets

- **@tomfletcherbc:** $1.1M ski ad campaign to target Ont, Wash, California. #bcpoli
- **@donjnorth:** Another great Sunny day in Vancouver. Take a moment and go out to enjoy it! #SunnyDay #Break #Vancouver
- **@CBCStephenQuinn:** When the mayor of Vancouver says they're "negotiating" an end to the #occupyvancouver camp, any idea who "they" are negotiating with?
- **@sportsnetmurph:** HUGE scrum around Booth post practice and AV walks by and says with a chuckle, "welcome to vancouver"
- **@WhatThePuckNow:** Watching David Booth skate reminds me of Mike Modano. Jersey fluttering behind him as he flies down the wing. #Canucks
- **@fineartsgeek:** i am dedicating my 335th tweet to David Booth- why? because hes just awesome like that :D
- **@keithbaldrey:** BCGEU reaches deal at BC Place, averting Grey Cup strike. No word on details. I wonder if they got a wage hike? #bcpoli

Letters

GUN REGISTRY. When Canada's current regime of gun control legislation was drafted, the law-abiding gun owners in this nation rallied against it. The government of the day pushed the bill through in spite of many flaws, some of which contradict the Charter of Rights and Freedoms; going as far as to subject legal gun owners to illegal search and seizure and suspension of the right to remain silent during investigation.

Well, now the landscape has changed. It is clear that Canadians no longer want to see Ottawa waste precious resources on legislation that targets law-abiding citizens and leaves criminals to their misdeeds.

The current government has decided that it is not the law-abiding gun owners of this country that need to have their freedoms curtailed, but the lawless, the organized gangs. It is with this vision that we hope there are less victims for the victim's advocates to mourn, less criminal acts with firearms for the Coalition for Gun Control to rail against, more resources for mental health and more money for policing.

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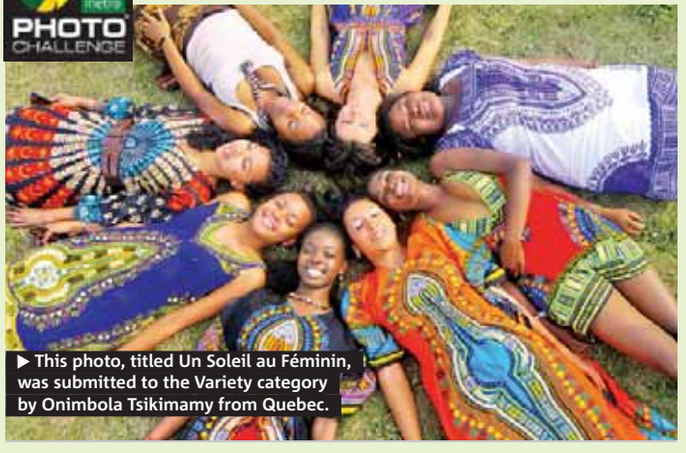

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WEIRD NEWS

It's a dog-eat-dog world

Dressed as protesters, complete with toy megaphone, Mitch Robinson and his wife unrolled a sleeping bag and "occupied" their friends' Halloween party. Unlike the real-life Occupy Wall Street demonstrators, they had a list of demands for their hosts.

Among them: Equal time on the karaoke machine, more meat on the grill and extra alcohol in the drinks.

So went the party in Tacoma, Wash., last Saturday night.

Among the self-proclaimed 99 per cent, the anti-Wall Street protests that began in New York and spread across globe are inspiring lots of costume ideas.

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▶ Morgan Stanley represents the 1%.

"We're ready to go," said Kris Ruby in Greenwich, Conn. She is dressing her seven-year-old golden retriever, Morgan Stanley, as a one-percenter in business suit, red tie and tweed hat.

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Running out of time

Justin Timberlake talks about fast living, boyhood fantasies and his latest film In Time

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▶ Justin Timberlake tackles the issue of aging and wealth in his new film In Time.

Playing the hero in In Time — a sci-fi adventure set in a world where people stop aging at 25 and have to earn time to stay alive — has given Justin Timberlake a lot of chances to think about time, including being stuck with a certain look.

"I look back as a lot of my younger years have been documented and I can honestly say that I would not like to revisit," says the musician-turned-actor.

Of course he says that now, at age 30 — and playing a convincing 25 on screen. Maybe he'll change his tune after another 10 or 20 years. But for now, movies like In Time are helping keep him young, especially considering all the action involved.

"On top of being a really rich story filled with lots of things, I got to live out a lot of boyhood fantasies in this movie — shooting guns and getting to learn how to stunt-drive," he says, grinning.

Given the time-sensitive nature of the film, there was of course lots of running involved — which was fine for Timberlake, but not so much his co-star, Amanda Seyfried, who did most of the chases in high heels.

"We debated actually in the middle of a scene her taking the heels off and just running without them, but she would have gotten lost in the frame," he says.

One pitfall of a high-concept action thriller can be overly expositional, and that was something Timberlake was keen to watch out for, going so far as to consult Andrew Niccol, the film's producer, about paring down the script.

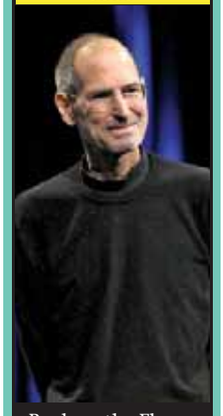
Saves more time for the running, shooting and driving, at least.

Movement

The OWS connection.

Elite A major theme of In Time is taking on an elite that controls all the resources in society — something that coincidentally finds great resonance with the current Occupy Wall Street movement as the film hits theatres. Of course it was shot before the movement kicked off.

Jobs



Rockers the Flaming Lips will honour the late Apple co-founder Steve Jobs by performing a cover of the Beatles' Revolution at the O Music Awards 2 on Oct. 31.
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Savannah, Ga., tries to clean up square featured in the film Forrest Gump

POPPING WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S COLLAR

IN FOCUS

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A new movie called Anonymous asks a question that has kept academics debating for decades. Was it actually William Shakespeare, of Stratford-upon-Avon, who wrote the plays and poems attributed to him?

The film suggests it was Edward De Vere, Earl of Oxford (Rhys Ifans) who actually put pen to paper. Then to hide his identity he hired a semi-employed actor named William Shakespeare (Rafe Spall) to act as his literary beard.

There is no evidence to support the movie's theory but at least one detail is consistent with history — the likeness of Shakespeare. Even though no painting of the Bard was done during his lifetime, the 1632 Martin Droeshout portrait showing the writer with, "a huge head, placed against a starched ruff," has become the accepted version of his appearance in art and on film.

Shakespeare and his ruffed collar has popped up in everything from The Simpsons's 2007 videogame to the Bugs Bunny cartoon A Witch's Tangled Hare.

Playing the Bard as a lusty poet in Shakespeare in Love made Joseph Fiennes a star, but he was far from the first actor considered for the role. Daniel Day-Lewis and Kenneth Branagh both turned it down before Ralph Fienne's little brother snapped it up. The movie, about how Shakespeare's love affair with Viola De Lesseps (Gwyneth Paltrow) helped him overcome writer's block and pen Romeo and Juliet in her honour, earned 13 Oscar nominations and won seven, including Best Picture and Best Actress for Gwyneth.

One of the stranger depictions of Shakespeare on screen came in Jean-Luc Godard's King Lear. Called "Godard's most insane, headache-inducing and inscrutable movie," by one critic, it features Peter Sellars (not the Pink Panther actor, but an avant guard theatre director) as William Shakespeare Junior the Fifth. In the movie's post Chernobyl world, all of the world's culture has been lost and it's up to folks like Shakespeare Junior to try recreate it. Searching for inspiration he scribbles familiar phrases in his notebook — "Love's Labors Lost. As you wish. As you wish. As you wish. As you witch. As you which? As you watch. As you watch…" — as he tries to piece together the works of his long lost relative. Best remembered as the Woody Allen movie you haven't seen — the comedian plays Mr. Alien in an uncredited cameo — King Lear is a head scratcher, even for Godard.

Kelsey Grammer: Like a boss

The Frasier and Cheers star talks about his time away from TV Discusses his new approach to his character

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Kelsey Grammer's Tom Kane is the deeply ambitious, yet flawed (read: corrupt) mayor of Chicago in the new drama Boss. As the actor best known for his comedic chops — he played Dr. Frasier Crane for 20 years on Cheers, then Frasier — Grammer takes a turn into the dramatic. Here's how he tapped into his dark side.

Stray from the norm

After three failed attempts to return to comedic television post-Frasier, Grammer decided to take a break.

"After my heart attack, I spent the next several months looking at my own life," says the 56-year-old. "I cast my … imaginative net over the next 30 or 40 years, whatever they may be. And I just decided I didn't want to have that story be my last story. And so I decided that it was time to make changes that involved my career as well as my personal life. And doing a drama started to make really good sense because it took me back to my roots … to things I believed in."

Be bad to be loved

Grammer likens Kane to the scheming Iago in Shakespeare's Othello.

"Iago is one of the most liked characters in Shakespeare's canon, and he's the most extraordinarily manipulative person in history," Grammer says. "I think there's at least a kind of a similarity with (Kane.)"

Kane, however, doesn't necessarily view himself as the bad guy.

"He's completely convinced that there's a working model and justification for doing anything you have to do to remain in power," Grammer says. "It's just for the better good. He believes he's the one that's most qualified to make the decision … to either eliminate an enemy or embrace an enemy and make something good happen."

Never let them see you sweat

The most powerful man in Chicago receives a devastating blow in the opening scenes of the pilot. He is diagnosed with Lewy body dementia, a rare disease associated with Alzheimer's.

"It's really a dramatic device … for the benefit of raising the stakes in this guy's life," Grammer says. "What this malady may do is force him into a position where he suddenly realizes that preserving his own place is the greatest good. He's accustomed to power, and he will go kicking and screaming on his way down toward hell."

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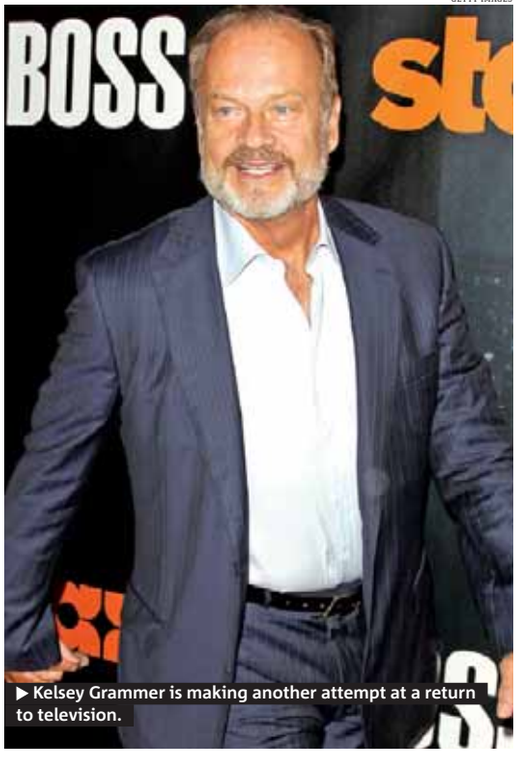
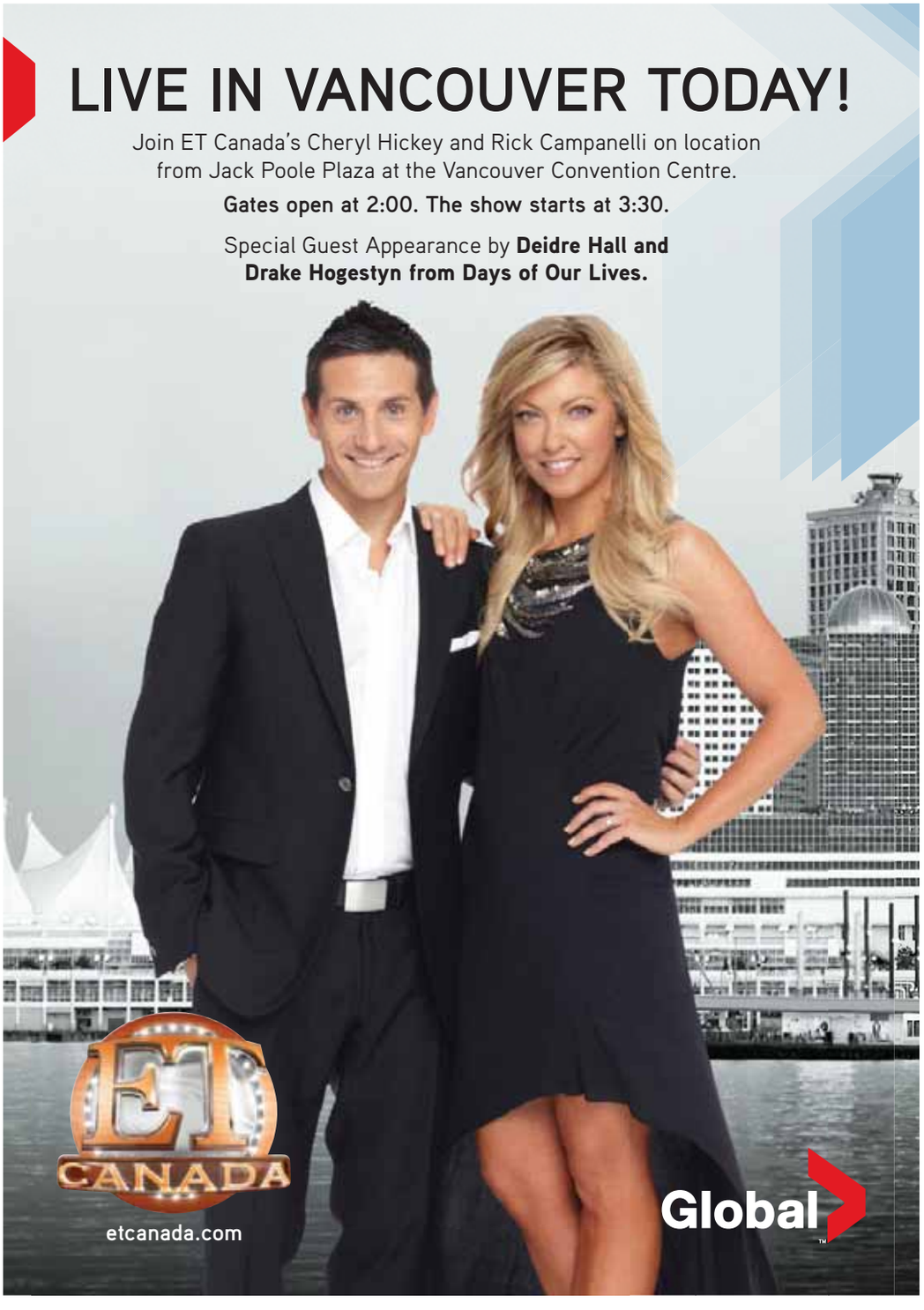


▶ Kelsey Grammer is making another attempt at a return to television.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Chris Taylor: CANT can make you forget that other band he's in

Grizzly Bear musician leaves his usual harmonic and folky tunes for a new electronic, moody sound Just started his own label, Terrible Records

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When Chris Taylor began working with publicists to promote CANT, his new side project, he contemplated not putting the name of his other band in the biography.

"I didn't really see how people having that connection, between Grizzly Bear and this project, I didn't see how that would be helpful," he says.

"I had to trust people who do this stuff — press, my manager — because if I can't trust them, I shouldn't have hired them in the first place. They just said, 'No, we should definitely do that, it's inevitable, people are obviously going to know it's you and it seems silly if you try and pretend, it'll just make you look silly."

To be sure, Taylor does not look silly. And CANT's recently released debut, Dreams Come True, is a force to be reckoned with, albeit a dark force.

Where Grizzly Bear is harmonic and folky, CANT is electronic and moody. It's as if one is a consequence of the other.

"When I got out of touring and recording — and production work in the meantime — which was six or seven years, I realized I had sacrificed a lot of personal relationships," he says.

'Face fears'

It's not as if Taylor has nothing to show for the time that he was neglecting his personal relationships.

"The whole idea of the record is sort of to deal with stuff, and face fears, and not shy away from them, especially the more scary ones." CHRIS TAYLOR

In addition to playing bass and producing Grizzly Bear albums, he has produced critically acclaimed albums by Twin Shadow and the Morning Benders, and he recently started his own label, Terrible Records.

But with Dreams Come True, he confronts his decisions head-on.

"The whole idea of the record is sort of to deal with stuff, and face fears, and not shy away from them, especially the more scary ones," he says.

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▶ Chris Taylor

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Loveable. Muppet

▶ Kermit the Frog greets Metro's Navita Persaud and Natalie Riznek yesterday at Metro's Toronto headquarters.

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Kermit pops by to say hi

The famous friendly amphibian stopped by the office while in town to promote his new film, The Muppets, which opens in theatres Canada-wide on Nov. 23.

ANTHRAX RAGES ON

'ONCE WE GOT OUR FOOT IN THE DOOR, THERE WAS NO WAY WE WERE TAKING IT OUT'

In a recent interview, Scott Ian talked about Anthrax's reunion with Belladonna, and whether fatherhood has changed him.

▶ Scott Ian of Anthrax(2008)

What was it like when Joey first started working on the record after all those years apart?

He pretty much nailed it as far as I'm concerned, first time, on each song. What's amazing is he only started singing nine out of the 10 of these songs like earlier this year, like December or January, and he sounds like he's been singing them for 10 years, and I think that's something that's really, really hard to pull off, and he did it. Like, he owns the songs.

Anthrax has been together for so long. What were the most challenging years? Was there a time when you thought it was over?

I never wondered that. The hardest time for me in the history of Anthrax was trying to make our first album, that was the hardest time, because we were nobody, we were nothing. It wasn't like we had a name or we were established or we knew anything about anything. ... Once we got our foot in the door, there was no way we were taking it out.

What's the most fun part about being a father?

It's like a switch got thrown and this love, where it even comes from, as a father, I'm hard-wired for it. The love is insane. The feeling that it gives me every day just to look at him is something that wasn't there before June 19. It's just an incredible feeling. ... Here's how it's changed my rock life; here's a sentence that I would have never said before June 19. It's given me this unbelievable joy I've never felt before.

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"It's definitely a step up in terms of size of vehicle," says Warren Orton, Director, Toyota Canada Inc. "It just feels bigger, and a lot more spacious."

Its versatile interior with a higher roof line offers more leg room, more head room and more shoulder room to comfortably seat five adults. Second-row seats not only recline to 45 degrees, but also slide back a few inches to free up more leg room, or slide forward providing maximum trunk space. In fact, depending on the configuration of the seats, Prius v offers an impressive 971 litres of space. That's big enough to fit a 50-inch television with no problem.

"If you have a baby seat, you can slide the second row seat forward making it a lot easier to reach back and pass them a toy they've dropped," explains Orton.

When you need maximum room for hauling things, such as camping gear or some new furniture, the fold-flat front passenger seat and 60/40 split folding rear seat make it a breeze to convert Prius v into an impressive cargo holder, with ample space that extends from the back of the vehicle right to the front dashboard.

"The 60/40 fold down seats allow for lots of configurations. You can fold down the entire back seat, or you can fold down one of the back seats so you can have four people in the car as well as extra cargo space for a long load," Orton explains. "Or, you can have one person sitting in the back and fold down two of the other back seats. So it's very versatile."

By Heather Buchan

WHAT FITS INSIDE PRIUS V?

Prius v was designed to meet the needs of all Canadians. If you have a growing family and need room for car seats, strollers and other baby equipment, there's ample room for all your family-related cargo, thanks to sliding and folding rear and front passenger seats.

Perhaps you are an active outdoors person who needs space for bicycles, skis, hockey equipment or golf clubs. Prius v's versatile seating configurations, higher roof line and wider body allow you to easily adapt the car to fit whatever sports equipment you might need to transport.

Maybe you simply want the benefit of having added space at your disposal for those extra large grocery runs, the occasional trip to a furniture store or a trip to the park with the dogs. The Prius v offers you added cargo space whenever you need it, while remaining a convenient mid-size car.

"We consider this vehicle the ultimate crossover," says Orton of Prius v, adding that you really can fit anything you need into the hybrid.

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Crazy in love

Anton Yelchin and Felicity Jones put their acting chops to the test in Like Crazy, an improvised love story

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Anton Yelchin and Felicity Jones star in Drake Doremus' Like Crazy, the largely improvised story of lovers Anna and Jacob forcibly separated when Anna is sent home to London after overstaying her student visa in L.A.

Their attempts to reunite take time, money and patience, and patience is something neither has.

Yelchin says his character may have over invested himself in a difficult, upsetting love affair due to loneliness.

"He has a mother that doesn't give a s— about him," he says.

"He doesn't have a father so he's very alone and to himself and everything that is exciting about him on the inside comes out in his desire to create something. She is completely distant and not connected to him. The father passed away and so he doesn't have anyone he goes to, there's no one."

Doremus' goal was to shoot 30 minute improvised chapters, and the stars didn't know each other so being thrown into an intensely intimate situation was tough, says Jones.

"It was quite petrifying, especially considering what we were about to embark on. I met him and thought this is going to be difficult if he's not that cool. But luckily he was extraordinary and we became great friends."

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FELICITY JONES ON IMPROVISING WITH ANTON YELCHIN

Jones learned to rely on her imagination in her first improvisational role.

"You can't help but bring something of yourself to the role, your own instincts. We were keen for there to be some separation of who we are and the characters.

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▶ Anton Yelchin plays Jacob, a man invested in a difficult love affair, in Like Crazy.

Anna is a lot more impulsive than I am and I liked that about her. She makes decisions without really thinking them through, which is how they get her into trouble.

There were many things I wanted to examine and think about.

It was frightening, but it was a good thing."

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▶ The Kardashian sisters

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Is there no end to the Kardashian empire?

The reality-TV-family-turned-moguls have filed documents with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to use the name Kardashian Kollection Home on an upcoming product line.

TMZ.com reports that the Kardashians "plan to use the trademark on everything from bath mats, to hand towels, pillow covers, sheets, golf towels, football towels, linens, candlesticks and even beer mugs."

There's no word if Kardashian Kollection Home will be sold exclusively at Sears, where they currently sell their Kardashian Kollection (does anyone else read that and think: 'Krap'?) of clothes, handbags, shoes, belts, jewelry, hosiery, and sunglasses.

But if they think they're going to expand and encroach on Martha Stewart's Home goods empire, they've probably got another thing coming.

If anyone knows how to fashion a homemade shiv to ward off threats to her business, it's Martha Stewart.

Rihanna does some fun shopping

While visiting Paris, Rihanna made a quick stop at the adult-themed Lovestore — and ended up dropping a reported $1,500 during a kinky shopping spree, according to the Sun. METRO

Lilo to pose for Playboy

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▶ Lindsay Lohan

Troubled star struck lucrative deal with magazine: TMZ

Lindsay Lohan will reportedly pose nude for Playboy after striking a deal with the adult magazine, according to TMZ.

The magazine is said to have initially offered the troubled actress $750,000, which she turned down, but she agreed when they came back with a figure closer to her $1 million asking price. And work is apparently already underway for the issue, as Lohan is said to have done her first revealing photo shoot over the weekend.

"I can neither confirm or deny at this time," her rep says. METRO

J.Lo has waterworks

▶ Jennifer Lopez

Jennifer Lopez explains that her recent onstage bout of tears was caused by being "overwhelmed" by the response the song received, according to Hollyscoop.

"After I sang the song, I'm standing there and I realized that I did bare a little bit of my thoughts in this song," Lopez says.

"I also acted it out, kind of, for the audience. The way they received it was very touching."

The performance included a dancer-recreated look back at Lopez's love life, with dancers resembling past loves like Sean Combs and Ben Affleck grooving with a Lopez look-alike.

"I think that they felt what I felt, which is, you know, I'm just a girl, just like everybody else, trying to find my way," Lopez says of the audience's standing ovation.

"I felt like they got that, and they understood it, and we were all like one at that moment. It was very, very touching. It kind of overwhelmed me." METRO

Celebrity tweets

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Walker Texas Ranger was at our video shoot tonight.

@BetteMidler

Justin Bieber has a scent? That's hilarious. It should be called "Someday I'm gonna Shave"....

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Fans of MTV's Jersey Shore can get a first-hand look at the gym-tan-laundry lifestyle by renting the house where the reality series is taped.
Just bring $2,500 a night and your own drama. Renters to the home in Seaside Heights have access to the duck phone and the double bed in the Smush Room. But they won't find the usual mess because the landlord cleaned the place.
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Key West's decadent Fantasy Fest begins with street parties, masquerade balls

Growing Avatar Grove

Port Renfrew, B.C., is leaning on Hollywood blockbuster for environmental tourism boom

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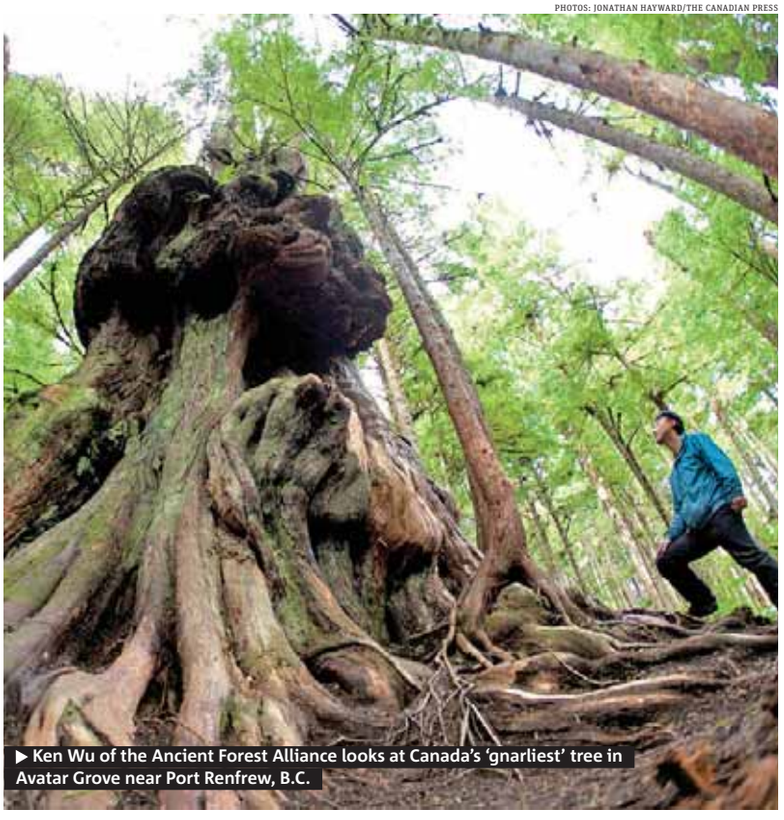

▶ Ken Wu of the Ancient Forest Alliance looks at Canada's 'gnarliest' tree in Avatar Grove near Port Renfrew, B.C.

Pink ribbons knotted to tree branches at the side of a gravel logging road mark the entry to an amazing earthly experience.

The air is cool, damp and even smells green. Look up and there is no blue sky, just scraggy branches and the tops of 60-metre-high trees, which allow sunlight to hit the mossy ground only in broken beams of light.

This is Avatar Grove, a 50-hectare piece of untouched old-growth forest, about 110 kilometres northwest of Victoria, B.C.

Natural-born enemies; environmentalists, business leaders and politicians, are joining hands to protect it from logging and create a nature-lover's paradise.

It's as if the happy-ending script is writing itself at Avatar Grove — a sequel of sorts to the Hollywood blockbuster, unfolding in the few remaining dark, moody and ancient big-tree forests on southern Vancouver Island.

"When we came across the area, it was at the same time the movie Avatar was released," said Ken Wu, co-founder of the Victoria-based Ancient Forest Alliance.

"Avatar was about saving old-growth forests, albeit on an alien moon.

"We wanted people to make the connection that here on earth we have real spectacular old growth (forests) that are endangered and that need protecting," he said, standing near a huge cedar marked in spray paint with the number five, signifying that it once faced a chainsaw death.

Wu said choosing the name Avatar Grove, courting the business community in nearby struggling Port Renfrew and getting the ear of the B.C. government has sparked a groundswell to declare the rugged coastal area the Big Trees Capital of Canada.

The Ancient Forest Alliance spent the summer taking busloads of tourists into Avatar Grove to see the mysterious forest, especially the alien-shaped western red cedar, nicknamed Canada's gnarliest tree for is Volkswagen-sized burl.

"Port Renfrew really is the biggest trees capital of Canada," said Wu.

"The fact is the largest Douglas fir tree on earth is near town.

"The biggest spruce tree in Canada is also near town. The biggest tree in Canada, the Cheewaht cedar, is also north of town.

"And we've got the gnarliest tree at the Avatar Grove," he said.

If you go...

Currently, there are no official scheduled tours into Avatar Grove, but visit the Ancient Forest Alliance website at ancientforestalliance.org for a map of the area's big tree sites. The alliance also will take visitors into Avatar Grove or can provide travellers with a detailed and easy-to-follow map that they can use to guide themselves.

Rosie Betsworth, Port Renfrew's Chamber of Commerce president, agrees with Wu and the Ancient Forest Alliance that the big trees are something to see.

It's also offering a tourism boost to the community that, until recently, considered logging and fishing its lifeblood.

"The majority (here) can see the value of tourism dollars," she said.

Steve Thomson, B.C.'s minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources, said the government halted planned logging of Avatar Grove and is awaiting the results of a public consultation process on the area's future.

But he suggested it already appears logging is no longer a viable option.

"The province has published its intent to adjust the old-growth management area to protect that grove," he said.
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White fright

The scariest part of Halloween in Churchill, Man., is the hungry polar bears who come to wait for the ice to form on the Hudson Bay But the town's Polar Bear Alert team ensures trick-or-treaters are kept safe

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If there was an award for the "scariest place to be during Halloween" in Canada, Churchill, Man., could easily win the title. Unlike Manitoba's historic Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg, it's not the ghost stories or blood-dripping down the walls in room 202 that you have to be afraid of. In Churchill, it's the hungry polar bears.

For one month every year, the small, sub-arctic town of Churchill, Man., becomes the Polar Bear Capital of the World. During this time, from mid-October to Mid-November, over 1,000 polar bears (that's more than the town's population of 800) can be found in this region on the west coast of the Hudson Bay. This makes up one of the world's largest concentration of polar bears at any one time.

The bears wait in and around the town of Churchill for the ice to form on the Hudson Bay so that they can make their way to arctic waters to hunt for seal and build up their reserves for another year.

Since the melting of the ice in the Hudson Bay since the early summer, the bears have retreated to land to give birth and hibernate while summer passes, usually in northern Manitoba's Wapusk National Park. Aside from scoring the occasional moose here and there, it's been months since they've had a proper meal and hunger is starting to take a toll.

Around this time every year, the region attracts thousands of tourists who want to see these incredible bears face-to-face from large, armoured, tank-like vehicles called tundra buggies. Most adventure or wildlife tour operators to Churchill like Natural Habitat Adventures, name the end of October and beginning of November — around Halloween — as the best time to visit and see the polar bear bears in Churchill.

PHOTOS: GIZELLE LAU/METRO NEWS

▶ Over 1,000 polar bears can be found in the Churchill, Man., region from mid-October to mid-November.

For the townspeople, it's a different story.

Consider it for a second: snowy conditions; giant bags filled with chocolates and candy; a few hundred children running around trick-or-treating; and hungry polar bears milling about?

Bad combination.

Yet despite the conditions, the locals are determined for the festivities to continue.

In preparation, the Polar Bear Alert team, a group of Manitoba Conservation officers, set up bear traps (called "culver traps") on the outskirts of town to prevent them from entering the area. The large, cylindrical containers are baited with seal oil to lure the bears inside, at which point, the trap's door will shut. Most bears are easily scared off when loud cracker shells are fired and sometimes rubber bullets are also used. Problematic bears are often sedated and taken to Polar Bear Jail, along with the bears that have been trapped.

Bears who have been caught are taken to Polar Bear Jail — a giant hanger compound on the outskirts of town that serves as a bear holding centre. Bears are held there for a maximum of 30 days at which point they are either flown by helicopter to the Hudson Bay shores or are let go when the ice freezes.

As the evening of Halloween begins, the town enlists the help of armed firemen, volunteers, policemen, and Manitoba Conservation officers to form a perimeter around town while the festivities start. Helicopters circle the town to report any approaching bears or incidents to those on the ground.

Unfortunately, last-minute "throw a bedsheet over your kid and call it a ghost costume" tactics won't work. In fact, none of the kids (and adults, for that matter) are allowed to wear white costumes to prevent confusion or panic — no ghosts, angels and definitely no polar bear costumes.

At the end of the night, everyone, from locals, to seasonal staff, tour guides, tourists, and hospitality staff from around town — gather in the basement of the town's Seaport Hotel to celebrate another Halloween gone by without incident. Luckily, there have been very little, if any, serious incidents involving humans and polar bears in and around the Churchill region — largely due to the hard work the Polar Bear Alert team does in safety and prevention.

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5 Creepy crawly career choices

Just in time for Halloween, job portal Careercast.com dug up some gigs that we're happy we don't do

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3. Pest control specialist

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4. Reptologist

What they make: $61,660

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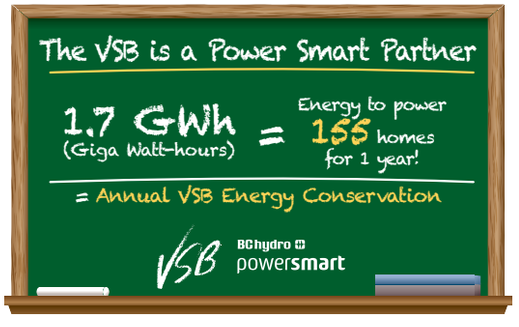
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▶ Brendan Steven feels it's important for schools to encourage students to participate in extra-curricular activities.

I have always been one of those people who, for better or worse, likes to bite off more than I can chew. So when I came to McGill, where I am now in my third year of a degree in political science, I raced out to find any extracurricular activity I could.

One such club was the McGill Tribune, one of two student newspapers here on the McGill campus. I had a little bit of writing experience from my days in high school, and applied for a volunteer position as an opinion columnist.

They gave me the job and I never looked back. I realized that there was a lack of representation of Conservative students on campus, so six months later, a friend and I founded The Prince Arthur Herald (princearthurherald.com), Canada's only conservative student newspaper. Within a few short months, we expanded our operation to a multitude of campuses and created Canada's only national student newspaper. I now co-manage a team upwards of 70 volunteers from across the country.

It's become very clear that simply getting a degree is not enough in the modern job market. This is especially true of students like me, who are getting Arts degrees that lack marketable skills for niche lines of work.

The importance of doing extracurricular activities, whether it is an internship, a part-time job, or volunteering, is now vital for students seeking jobs after they graduate.

I find schools to have an unrealistic perspective on this issue. Many do not actively encourage their students to explore the opportunities that are available to them outside of the classroom.

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What I learned

Key take-aways from Brendan's experience.

- Evaluate your interests and skills to find something you are passionate about on campus.
- If there's a niche for a new campus club, don't be afraid to start it: employers will value your entrepreneurship.

Where Brendan is now

I am currently completing my studies at McGill University while simultaneously staying heavily involved in areas I am interested in. I am currently the executive editor of The Prince Arthur Herald and the chief content officer for Prince Arthur Herald Ltd. I also work as a featured columnist for the National Citizen's Coalition and a senior campus fellow with the Canadian Jewish Political Affairs Committee (CJPAC).

Oil. Slick

▶ Oilers captain Shawn Horcoff scores on Canucks goalie Roberto Luongo in Edmonton last night.

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Luongo chased from net as Canucks fall to young Oilers

Nikolai Khabibulin made 35 saves and Jordan Eberle and Taylor Hall had a goal and an assist each as the Edmonton Oilers won 3-2 over the Vancouver Canucks last night. Shawn Horcoff also scored for the Oilers (4-2-2), who won their second straight. Cody Hodgson and Alexandre Burrows responded for the Canucks (4-4-1). Vancouver goalie Roberto Luongo was pulled in the second period after allowing three goals on 14 shots. He was replaced by Cory Schneider who stopped all eight shots he faced.

No rest for the wretched

Whitecaps preparing for post-season training camp after last-place finish

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You can't blame the Vancouver Whitecaps for looking ahead.

While the top teams in Major League Soccer begin playoffs today, Vancouver's last-place squad is readying for an unusual November training camp under new coach Martin Rennie, and club CEO Paul Barber is already sitting in on countless meetings in preparation for 2012.

Even Eric Hassli being awarded the ESPN goal of the year (and Davide Chiumiento getting No. 3) yesterday is measly consolation for Barber.

The goal is clear: Reverse the team's misfortunes on the pitch while building on the success that saw the expansion team average 20,406 fans at home games (good enough for third in the entire league).

"We didn't achieve what we set out to," admitted Barber. "Off the field, it's been a phenomenal year. But we have to make sure we don't become complacent with our fans. You see it all over the world. When teams struggle, crowds drop. Ultimately, it's about winning matches."

The former Tottenham Hotspur and English Football Association executive says work is already underway to improve the squad.

Interim coach Tom Soehn has reverted back to his role as the club's director of soccer operations and the technical staff, with Rennie's input, has already identified several players "in key areas" the Whitecaps want to pursue.

Meanwhile, Rennie will get his first hands-on look at the squad when he arrives in Vancouver next week for a rare post-season training camp.

It may be a strange move, but time is of the essence.

Rennie must get to know the players and decide which 11 he wants to protect from the MLS expansion draft by Nov. 21.

He must then assess the team's needs and be ready to pursue overseas signings when the European transfer window opens briefly in January.

"We're in a unique position in that we appointed (Rennie) two-thirds of the way to the finish," Barber said. "We have to make sure he has every opportunity to succeed."

Richmond native helps Canada to baseball gold

With one swing of the bat, Jimmy Van Ostrand drove in the only two runs Canada needed to beat the United States 2-1 yesterday and win the gold medal at the Pan American Games.

The Richmond native stepped up to the plate with two men on base in the top of the sixth inning and doubled down the right field line to bring in Chris Robinson and Tim Smith. Both Robinson and Smith had two-out singles to start the rally.

The gold was Canada's first at the Pan American Games, in a competition that has been dominated by Cuba for 40 years. The Cubans had won 10 straight titles until the United States defeated them 12-10 in Monday's semifinal. They instead had to settle for bronze.

Canada beat Mexico 5-3 in the other semifinal to get a chance at gold, and they didn't let the chance slip away.

Andrew Albers of North Battleford, Sask., started for Canada and gave up six hits while striking out eight through 6⅔ innings. Scott Richmond came on in relief and shut down the Americans, striking out three of the seven batters he faced without surrendering a hit.

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"It's that time of the year, I guess."

LIONS QUARTERBACK TRAVIS LULAY ON THE TEAM'S RECENT SPATE OF INJURIES. THE BIG RED HEAD HURT HIS ANKLE IN LAST SATURDAY'S 42-10 WHIPPING AT THE HANDS OF THE HAMILTON TIGER-CATS BUT WASN'T SHOWING ANY ILL EFFECTS YESTERDAY. B.C. HAS 14 PLAYERS HOBBLED BY SOME SORT OF AILMENT BUT THE ONLY TWO NOT EXPECTED TO DRESS THIS WEEKEND ARE RUNNING BACK ANDREW HARRIS (ROTATOR CUFF) AND WIDE RECEIVER AKEEM FOSTER (SPRAINED MEDIAL COLLATERAL LIGAMENT).

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Engine

Tossed aside for 2012 is the 3.8-litre V-6 rated at 202 horsepower and 237 pound-feet of torque. That engine had been the off-roader's go-to motivation since the 2007 model year.

In its place is Chrysler's recently developed Pentastar V-6 rated at 285 horsepower and 260 pound-feet of torque. That translates into a horsepower improvement of more than 40 per cent, along with a corresponding 10-per-cent gain in peak torque.

Transmission

The Wrangler also offers a more efficient optional five-speed automatic transmission in place of the previous four-speed unit. Jeep says that the extra cog helps reduce fuel consumption and offers a lower crawl ratio for severe off-road use.

Still standard is a German-made six-speed manual gearbox, which is the first of its type attached to the Pentastar V-6.

Towing

Remaining unchanged are the Wrangler and Wrangler Unlimited's maximum towing capacities of 910 and 1,590 kilograms, respectively.

The Sport B (except Unlimited), Sport S, Sahara and Rubicon trim levels carry over with the first three featuring part-time four-wheel-drive with optional limited-slip rear differentials. The trail-happy Rubicon uses the Off-Road Rock-Trac unit with its extra-low-range gearing, front-and-rear locking differentials for greater agility, and 32-inch off-road rubber.

▶ This is a particularly fetching combination of colour, hardtop-roof option and Rubicon off-roading. Sold.

Wrangler gets a heart transplant

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The Wrangler's ancestry dates back more than 70 years, but being on the receiving end of a series of recent improvements has kept this Jeep as up-to-date as ever. Loyalty to Chrysler's iconic Jeep brand knows no bounds, especially the Wrangler, which some aficionados consider the only true Jeep. And despite the passage of time, it has maintained an unyielding grip on its now-classic design. In short, the Wrangler is the ultimate retro vehicle with unabashed bragging rights to history and heritage.

Jeep's current Fiat minders have managed to tread carefully without messing with Wrangler tradition.

However, for the 2011 model year they introduced a kinder, gentler (on the posterior) interior, with better-quality materials for the updated dashboard, seats and door trim as well as the addition of climate control, heated seats and outside mirrors to the options list. Those changes were clearly well received as Wrangler sales have remained as robust as ever.

For the 2012 model year, the Wrangler is on the receiving end of a much-needed heart transplant — in the form of its engine.

It's that more powerful engine, and attendant fuel-economy improvements that represent the key enhancements, and ones that both serious, crater-crawling Jeep fanatics and first-timers will readily appreciate.

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Dynamics and performance define Porsche's SUV

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The Porsche Cayenne is an off-road capable 4x4 built by a brand famous for world-class, high-performance coupes.

Family-ready and capable of confident year-round operation on any road, shoppers after a premium SUV will find plenty of selection in the used Cayenne marketplace.

Look for the five-seater with goodies like navigation, a sunroof, premium audio, Bluetooth, heated leather seats, air-adjustable suspension and a full suite of safety features, too.

2003 to 2010 Porsche Cayenne

Engine

Depending on the model in question, Cayenne was available with anything from a 3.2-litre, 247-horsepower V-6 to a 550-horsepower, twin-turbocharged V-8 engine.

What owners like

Owners typically rave about a blend off-road capability and on-road comfort backed by plenty of performance. Brakes, handling and power output were highly rated on virtually all models, too. Spaciousness, flexibility, interior quality and all-weather confidence round out the equation.

What owners dislike

Typical complaints centre around gas mileage, which is typical of virtually any SUV model. Others include a smaller-than-expected back seat, expensive options, controversial styling and limited rearward visibility.

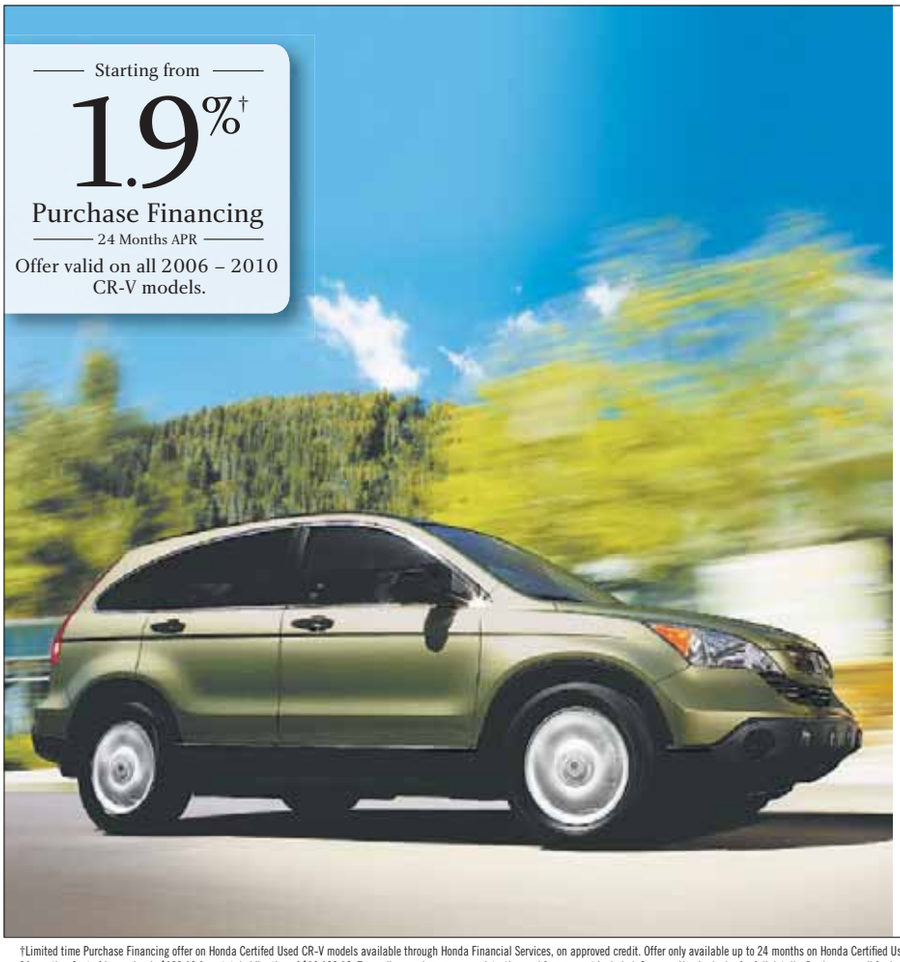
Common issues

Start your test-drive with an exhaustive check of every component and accessory that runs on electricity. Pay extra close attention to the stereo, power seats, navigation system, instrument cluster and all lights.

Poor, lumpy or hesitant acceleration on any model could be caused by faulty ignition coil packs, and the engine compartment and underside should be checked for signs of a fairly common coolant leak.

Verdict

Low maintenance and purchase costs aren't the key draws to the Porsche Cayenne. Shop carefully, protect yourself with extended warranty coverage where available — then patiently search out the model that's perfect for your needs.



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Sonic wave

Chevrolet's small car makes traffic jams bearable

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▶ Once you're out of traffic, you can stretch the Sonic's legs. Opting for the speedy turbo means you can stretch your own legs a little sooner.

Driving from a big-city airport to downtown when traffic congestion has been building all day doesn't seem like the ideal way to learn everything there is to know about a car.

But when you only have that bit of time to experience a vehicle and you want to write about what people do in traffic jams, it's actually kind of perfect.

My ride, a new 2012 Chevrolet Sonic, is parked in the basement of the airport hotel. I go to retrieve it and I'm greeted with a sexy hatchback. A four-door sedan is also available.

I get in, turn the key and nothing happens. Now I'm excited. Push in the clutch: this baby has a manual transmission.

Although if your story angle is about driving in traffic jams and what people do in this necessary urban evil, how will shifting gears impact the experience? Do stick-loving city dwellers eventually give up a manual transmission because the stop-and-go is too irritating? But then, what about those on-ramps and straight stretches where you get to go through the gears?

A meeting downtown is imminent so I have to put the Sonic in gear without really letting the interior features sink in. Leaving the basement is already a good time, since it whips around the corners quite nicely, although one of the first adjustments is to tuck away the armrest on the driver's seat. It just gets in the way.

Not even off the airport property and I'm into a traffic jam, a line-up that starts at the parking-exit gate. This gives me a chance to drink in my surroundings.

The steering wheel is meaty, wrapped in leather with a touch of chrome. The subtle stitching gives it a racy feel. I realize I judged the armrest too harshly. Sitting in traffic, it's a good thing to have. The seat is comfortable, also good in a traffic jam.

I plug my iPhone into the USB outlet that I find in the storage compartment above the glove box. The hidden notch in the cover means my cord doesn't get crushed. Simple and sweet.

In making all of these observations, I've moved all of 10 feet. But that's OK because I'm in a traffic jam and, for now, that's right where I want to be.

So, what do people do in traffic jams?

The guy next to me is texting or sending emails. The woman in front of me is applying lipstick with her rear-view mirror tilted. People are jockeying from one lane to the next, always trying to zero in on the one that's moving faster.

Being in three lanes of traffic trying to merge into a roundabout is not a relaxing experience. An ambulance in the left lane ahead suddenly turns on its lights and siren. The two vehicles in front of it are pressured into the circle. Vehicles coming from the left are not really cluing in that they should yield to the ambulance. Horns start blowing and tensions rise. Did the ambulance get an emergency call? Was the driver just looking for a way to get out of this traffic and to a coffee break? Hmmm.

A traffic jam is just the place to ponder such questions.

Headlights

▶ The Sonic features exposed headlights, which were apparently inspired by motorcycle headlights. They give the car an aggressive yet totally approachable face.

But wouldn't you know it? After wrestling with a story angle and finally deciding to focus on "the traffic jam," the traffic is now flowing freely. I'm shifting into fourth gear and bringing the sprightly little Sonic rocket up to 100 km/h.

Have you ever been in a traffic jam and were disappointed when it was over?

I didn't think so. The Sonic is peppy. Really peppy since it's the 138-horsepower turbocharged version, which also means the transmission is a six-speed manual.

Forget the story angle, give me some twists and turns and get out of my way.

Alas, acceleration-happiness is short-lived. Another traffic jam and I'm immediately back to thinking about what people do to pass the time.

But finally, after once again alternating between smooth sailing and stop-and-go contemplation, I arrive at my destination. Happily tossing the keys to the valet, it dawns in me what most people do in traffic jams: try to get out of them.

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GOODYEAR

▶ A Goodyear tire with a rendition of the air maintenance filter in the sidewall.

Goodyear's new tires will pump themselves up

Tired of visiting the gas station to inflate your tires? Goodyear may have the remedy for that

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Adding air to a tire isn't a difficult job, but who needs the aggravation, especially if the weather is nasty? Such maintenance may become a thing of the past thanks to a new in-tire system, called Air Maintenance Technology (AMT), being developed by Goodyear.

Tires naturally lose small amounts of air, which can gradually add up to under-inflation.

The AMT system would "top up" the tire whenever necessary when the vehicle is being driven, eliminating the need for the driver to do it at a gas station air pump.

"There's a small filter on the outside of the tire that allows air to get in, but not water, dust and dirt," says Kerry Christopher, senior manager of communications for Goodyear Research and Development.

"The tire essentially becomes the pump."

As a tire rolls down the road, it flexes and bounces. The AMT system Goodyear is developing would take advantage of that movement, using it to pump the air through the filter and into the tire as needed.

The system is relatively simple, Christopher says.

"It's not a lot of parts. It's a regulator and other components built into the tire. There's no battery, no electronics of any kind. It's built into the tire itself, not into the wheel, and it's not in the valve stem, it's in the sidewall."

GOODYEAR

▶ Kerry Christopher of Goodyear Research and Development.

The regulator would be set to the specific pressure for the tire and vehicle, and would prevent the tire from overfilling with air. The car's tire pressure monitoring system would still keep the driver informed about pressure, "but we're guessing you wouldn't have to look at it as often," Christopher says.

The pump technology is still undergoing testing and the company hasn't yet announced when it will be available or what it will cost, "but it will have all sorts of benefits to the traveller, (including) improved fuel economy, reduced emissions, longer tire life, and enhanced safety and performance benefits," Christopher says.

"There are a lot of good things that happen when your tire is inflated properly, and this ensures that all of these things are possible. Tires do a lot of things and they're very high-tech, but most people overlook that.

"They just get in their cars and go, but tires are the only thing between you and the road."

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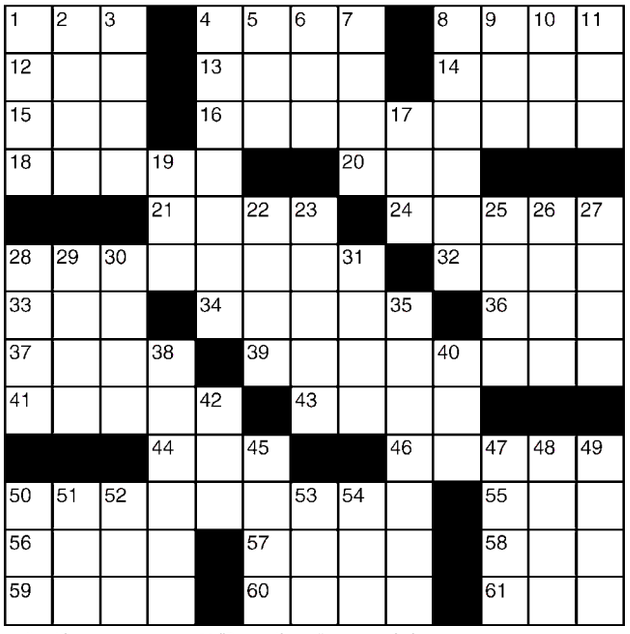

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8 Kane's Rosebud, e.g.
12 Singer David Allan —
13 Therefore
14 Head light?
15 — for tat
16 Disadvantages
18 Big glitch
20 Zero
21 "Handsome — handsome does"
24 Wanderer
28 Reductions
32 Marceau's specialty
33 Individual
34 Farm refrain?
36 Junior
37 Western state
39 Reversals
41 On top of the world?
43 Ballet frill
44 Court
46 Emperor's proclamation
50 Rebates of a sort
55 Triumphed
56 Actress Falco
57 Gratis
58 Informal Valentine word
59 Bleak, as literature
60 Fly high
61 Agent

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8 Mideastern greeting
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11 Two, in Tijuana
17 Crib
19 White lie
22 Galatea's love
23 Form of trapshooting
25 Uncategorized (Abbr.)
26 Out of control
27 Lairs
28 Masterstroke
29 "Do — others..."
30 Blue hue
31 In — (as found)
35 Less quick-witted
38 Merchant
40 Diving bird
42 Steal from
45 Lummoxes
47 Piercing tools
48 First course, often
49 Green-eyed monster
50 Barbie's companion
51 Bachelor's last utterance
52 XVII sextupled
53 — -Magnon
54 One of the Maunas

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Yesterday's answer ▶

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Today's new moon will force you to face a situation you've been trying to ignore. It's important you do.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Even if you are the kind of Taurus who rarely gets emotional, you must let it all out. Scream if you have to.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 If you want to enjoy a healthier lifestyle, now is the time to start.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 The new moon falls in the most creative area of your chart, making this one of the best days of the year for getting things done.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You can be rather sensitive, but as of today you will feel more positive about what kind of person you are.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You will have no difficulty today letting others know what you think and how you feel. But don't go too far.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Today's new moon indicates that recent efforts and sacrifices have not been in vain. There's much to gain.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 With the new moon in your sign, if you focus energy in one direction you'll achieve something remarkable.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You need to overcome a fear that has been holding you back.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Someone you meet will become a good friend and a colleague on a project close to your heart.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Today's new moon indicates that if you have a plan and make a serious effort to follow it, there's nothing you can't accomplish.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. The new moon in Scorpio will endow you with confidence and no end of good cheer. SALLY BROMPTON

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